

Chilbolton and Wherwell Community Magazine

This month I find myself looking at the Christmas contributions and thinking this year has gone so quickly. Over the next two months there are fetes, concerts, talks, cleaning and all manner of activities to get involved in.

The weather may well be much colder by the time you read this so time to make sure your car is ready for the winter weather. The falling leaves can be very slippery and the first early morning frost can always catch out the unprepared motorist. Please do make sure your windows are clear before you pull away.

The village magazine has an opportunity for a younger member of our community to join our team. This would be eligible for the volunteering section of the award. If you want to find out more call Carole Marits on 860293.

Just a reminder there is no magazine produced in January, so please do get your diary dates for January in by the 10th November for inclusion in the December magazine.

Carole Marits

Thank you to Ken Churchill, Jim & Maggie Duffy and Carole Marits for producing this magazine and to Michael Payne and helpers for distribution.

Church Matters

The Downs Benefice

The Revd Juliet Montague, BTh (normal day off: Monday)

Curate: The Rev'd Stuart Rason, The Rectory, Chilbolton Tel: 860258

Benefice Administrators: Vanessa Denham & Maggie Hobbs

Flower Rota – November

St Mary the Less Chilbolton

Annette Keys and Debbie Richardson

St Peter and Holy Cross Wherwell

The flower rota is suspended whilst the Church is being renovated

From the Church Records:

St Mary the Less Chilbolton

15th October 2011 Mike Keys (Burial of Ashes)

St Peter and Holy Cross Wherwell

9th October 2011 Sharon Goss (Burial of Ashes)

Church Services November 2011

	St Mary the Less Chilbolton	St Mary's Crawley	St Catherine's Littleton	St Stephen's Sparsholt	St Peter & Holy Cross Wherwell
Wednesday 2nd November All Saints					
Holy Communion			9.30 am		
Westholme			2.30 pm		
All Souls Service			6.00 pm	6.30 pm	
Sunday 6th November The Third Sunday Before Advent					
Holy Communion	8.00 am				
Morning Worship with All Souls		10.00 am			
Family Communion			10.00 am	10.00 am	
Confirmation Service with Bishop Peter	4.00 pm				
Wednesday 9th November					
Holy Communion			9.30am		
Friday 11th November					
Remembrance at War Memorial			10.55 am		
Sunday 13th November Remembrance Sunday					
Holy Communion				8.00 am	
Service at Flowerdown Barracks			10.30 am		
Remembrance Services & War Memorial, (Wherwell & Chilbolton in Wherwell Village Hall)		10.55 am		10.55 am	10.55 am
Wednesday 16th November					
Holy Communion	10.30 am		9.30 am		
Thursday 17th November					
Flowerdown HC			2.30 pm		
Sunday 20th November Christ the King					
Holy Communion		8.00 am	8.00 am		
Morning Worship			10.00 am		
CW Holy Communion	10.00 am				
Matins				10.00 am	
Benefice Evensong			6.00 pm		
Wednesday 23rd November					
Holy Communion			9.30 am		
Meditation			7.00 pm		
Saturday 26th November					
House Communion			10.00 am		
Sunday 27th November The First Sunday of Advent					
Family Service	10.00 am				
4 th Sunday Worship with SS		10.00 am			
Family Communion			10.00 am	10.00 am	
Candlelight service following Christmas Fayre					5.15 pm
Peace & Healing			6.00 pm		
Advent Carol Service		6.00 pm			
Wednesday 30th November					
Holy Communion			9.30 am		

St Mary-the-Less, Chilbolton – Special Services

CONFIRMATION SERVICE - Sunday 6th November at 4pm

Several candidates have been preparing for this special day and we look forward to welcoming Bishop Peter who will be taking the service. This will also be Bishop Peter's first visit to the village.



Charlotte Nash

November Thought for the Month

As I write this in early October, the news is that Steve Jobs has died aged 56 from cancer. He was the man who set up Apple computers back in the late 1970s and more recently brought us the iMac, the iPod, iTunes, the iPhone and the iPad.

There are many interesting facts from his life: his father was Syrian and his mother American. He was adopted by Paul & Clara Jobs. After dropping out of college, he went to India and became a Zen Buddhist and a vegetarian. His obituary suggests he did not always live as some of us might think a Buddhist would; he claimed he was sterile in paternity proceedings brought by the impoverished mother of his first child, despite his wealth (although he did acknowledge her later). He regularly parked his Mercedes in the designated disabled parking spaces at the Apple offices. It was said that his management style owed less to Zen Buddhism than to George Orwell. He was sufficiently difficult to work with that the Apple board ejected him in about 1985 and he did not come back to Apple until about 1997. He then terminated all the company's philanthropic projects.

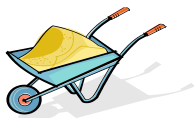
In his 12 years away from Apple, he worked on film software and technology bringing computer film imagery to prominence. His great success in this sphere made him the largest shareholder in Disney Corporation. I need not elaborate his achievements in the last 14 years. Apple fans worshipped him. He was described as a seer and the high priest of the Mac religion. Some even compared his life to that of Jesus Christ.

What should we think of that last comment? It may indeed be that he has had more impact on the lives of many of us today than has Jesus. Many of us could not now imagine our lives without our Apple gadgets. We can be inspired by Steve Jobs' brilliance, by his focus and by his total commitment to the aim of being the best. But we are looking at his life now, just after his death. Technology is developing so quickly, that in a few years, we will surely have moved on beyond our iGadgets to something else. Will Steve be forgotten and his reputation overtaken by that of others? Who knows...?

In contrast, the story of Jesus' life has stood the test of over two thousand years and provides those of us who listen to it with all we need on how to live our lives well both for ourselves and for each other.

To Steve, thank you and may you rest in peace.

Gavin Hamilton



St Mary the Less Church Chilbolton



SATURDAY 12TH NOVEMBER

Everyone welcome to come along with gloves, rakes etc,
for an enjoyable hour or two tidying up the churchyard
from 9.30 am onwards.

We will also do some extra cleaning of the church
Your help will be very much appreciated and light
refreshments will be provided

Further details from Lawrence Wild on 01264 860358



WHERWELL CHURCH CLEANUP

Stage 1 - We are hoping to get a working party together on
Friday 4th and Saturday 5th November to tidy up the
churchyard after the building work is finished. If you
could give some time to help with the cleanup on either
day the PCC would be very grateful. Please bring your
own tools.

Contact Pam Prince 860441



Stage 2 - on **Saturday 19 November 2011 from 9.30 am**. Please help
us prepare the church for its reopening for the Candlelit Advent Carol
Service on 27 November



“TOPPING OUT” CEREMONY

at St Peter & Holy Cross, Wherwell

The whole village is welcome to come and see the
cockerel weathervane being fitted as the last stage of
the church roof restoration! Commencing with FREE hot dogs and
drinks at the Colonel Jenkins Memorial Hall

12.30 pm on Sunday 20 November 2011



MIDDAY MUMS.....this month is Monday 21st. Come
and meet other Mums from the area from 10.30-12.00 for
coffee, biscuits and chat. There are toys and plenty of space for the children
at Wherwell Village Hall. Hope to see you. *Susan Ansell 860775*

WHERWELL FOOTPATH CLEARING

Wherwell Parish Council hope that our footpaths can be kept open so that all can enjoy our wonderful walks. Sadly, some are seriously overgrown.

Please help us clear some of the brambles, nettles and branches which are obstructing the path from Beech Grove to New Barn Lane and from the Old Hill to the Hairpin bend.

If you can, please meet on the bridge at the Old Hill at **10 O'clock** on **Saturday November 12th**. Please bring secateurs, loppers, bags for the waste etc.



Lizzie Broadbent



Andover & District

The Watermill Theatre and
Oxfordshire Theatre Company present,



for one night only,

IN SUPPORT OF AGE UK ANDOVER & DISTRICT

on Saturday 12th November 2011 at 7.30pm (doors open 7pm)
at CHILBOLTON VILLAGE HALL

Chilbolton Village Stores

With Wines by Caviste



Festive Wine Tasting & Christmas Goodies Preview

Saturday 12th November: 12.30 - 3.30pm

I know it seems early to be thinking about Christmas, but put this date in your diary for Chilbolton Stores' final wine tasting of 2011.

We will be concentrating on the upcoming festive season with wines for your drinks party, your Christmas lunch, Great Aunties visit on

Boxing Day (actually you might need a sherry for that one), a dessert wine and a Port.

Heidi will be on hand to discuss your wine requirements and David will be available to help with your Hampshire Free Range Turkey order, or estimating the size of gammon required to feed thirteen people, including Uncle Hector.

So pop along and get Christmas all sewn up.



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Village Street, Chilbolton, Hampshire, SO20 6BE
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www.chilboltonstores.co.uk



Chilbolton Neighbourhood Watch Report

In the October report I mentioned that during September several people in the village had received scam letters advising them of large monetary prizes and I passed a sample letter to the police. I have since discovered that the correct action would have been to contact Consumer Direct on 08454 04 05 06 or their website www.consumerdirect.gov.uk.

A point to bear in mind is that if you win something you shouldn't have to pay anything to receive your prize, not even a phone call and certainly not an expensive 090 number.

While on the subject of unwanted mail and calls, here are a couple of contacts which may be useful. In my experience they are not fool-proof, but probably do help:-

1. If you wish to cut down on unwanted mail you should register, free, with the Mailing Preference Service on 0845 703 4599 or go to www.mpsonline.org.uk

2. If you wish to reduce unwanted sales calls, register your telephone with TPS on 0845 070 0707 or go to www.tpsonline.org.uk.

Just before going to press, two further scams have been brought to my attention. Firstly, people are receiving telephone calls purporting to be from Microsoft or other IT companies to 'fix' their computers. Microsoft *never* call customers directly to discuss their problems. They have put out a link which may be helpful www.microsoft.com/security/default.aspx and are working on the problem. By the time you read this it may well be sorted. Secondly, a lady in the village has had her e-mail account cloned including the contents of her address book. AOL are aware of others being affected and are investigating. Their advice is to change your password and not respond in any way to suspect e-mails. In the meantime, never give personal details or payment over the phone or by e-mail.

There has also been an act of vandalism whereby the "Car Park" sign at Joys Lane has been broken off, turned round to point towards the Common and the broken bits tossed into the nearest garden possibly damaging a caravan. Police are investigating. Please remember that if you are concerned about anything you should call the police on 101 immediately.

Maria Watson, Tel: 860415 e-mail: mwatson.cottage@hotmail.co.uk

Thank You Buildbase

Thank you to Buildbase, Andover and G & R Cousins Building Services for the kind donation of 2 wheel barrows to the woodland committee of Wherwell Primary school.

Susan Simmonds

CrimeReports is here!

CrimeReports goes live to the public on Tuesday, September 27, 2011

Crimemapping technology that is brand new to the UK goes live today (27 September 2011), to help neighbourhoods across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight work more closely together to build safer communities.

CrimeReports (www.crimereports.co.uk) is a partnership project between Hampshire Constabulary, Hampshire County Council, Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service, the Probation Service and all District and Unitary Councils across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

Using information collated from these partner organisations, the website features up-to-date, more frequent and detailed data to the public about crime, incidents and anti-social behaviour, as well as important information about how incidents are being tackled by partners at a local level.

CrimeReports also enables the public to engage and work alongside their local police officers, Police Community Support Officers, Accredited Community Safety Officers and fire officers to help make their neighbourhoods safer.

Hampshire Constabulary's Assistant Chief Constable Laura Nicholson said: "While Hampshire and the Isle of Wight continue to be some of the safest places to live in the UK with relatively low levels of crime and disorder, this new website is a great way for residents across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight to get the full picture of what is happening in their local area. The system also includes what the police and partners are doing to improve safety in the local community.

"Members of the public can sign up to CrimeReports and receive crime and incident updates by email daily, weekly or monthly so they can be continually aware of what is happening in around where they live and work."

Leader of Hampshire County Council, Councillor Ken Thornber said: "Never before has a crime mapping site provided this level of frequently updated detail and context about crimes and incidents in local communities.

"By working more closely together with our partners and residents living in local communities, we will be better positioned to target resources even more efficiently and effectively to help keep neighbourhoods safe and secure and help meet future challenges."

Go to www.crimereports.uk, enter your postcode and you can:

- See crime/incidents in your area on a map
- Join online Neighbourhood Watch groups
- Sign up to email updates and crime alerts
- Submit an anonymous tip to Crimestoppers
- See when your next neighbourhood meeting is taking place
- Contact your local police officers or partner agencies

.....**On behalf of the Information Management Board and Community Safety Team**

Contact point for queries: Alistair Sackley at communitysafetyteam@hants.gov.uk

CHILBOLTON PARISH COUNCIL

Martin Gossling and Tony Ewer are making progress with the Play Area and we would hope to have a scheme for discussion with the Village soon. Logs from the Grey Poplar tree which will be felled later this year will be recycled into features in the play area. Whilst this play area will meet some of the needs of young children we are aware of the young teenagers who hang around up Drove Road making a nuisance of them selves with a low level of anti-social behaviour. They are riding their bikes without lights and reflectors across Drove Road and I am sure there will be an accident at some time. This is a common occurrence in villages and cities and I do not know what the answer is and should the Parish Council rather than the parents be involved in controlling the problem. There are not enough of them to make it worthwhile starting a youth club and then there is the question of who would be the youth leader and meet the costs. The Police and locals do have words with them but the problem remains. If anyone in the Village has any ideas on this issue could they please contact me.

Tony Ewer is leading a very wide ranging review of the road junction at the Mayfly Bridge in consultation with various other parish councils, HCC and the licensees of the Mayfly. The aim would be to radically improve the junction, increase parking in the area, improve the cycle way and provide pedestrian access to the pub. We have arranged a meeting with HCC in November to discuss our proposal to take over the management and possibly the ownership of West Down from them. Further reports will follows as and when matters progress.

Andrew Gibson our HCC councillor who works very hard for the Village brought to our attention changes that were being made to the local bus services. At the same time we have been asked for a contribution from the organisers of the Joyrides scheme which provides a low cost bus to Andover. Andrew also brought to our attention the fact that Coley Lane will be closed for a while due to BT works. The footpath around the Observatory will also be closed but again for a short while. We have received a quotation for speed activated signs of circa £1,750 which we will discuss at the next meeting. If anyone has any views on these signs please contact me. Finally as the pile of leaves in the garden get ever higher we are urging villagers to be careful about lighting bonfires which could cause annoyance to neighbours who wish to enjoy their garden, hang out washing or open the windows of their houses. In addition Chinese lanterns are becoming popular and I have picked up several this month on the Common and the playing fields. These are a danger to cattle and houses with thatched roofs.

Alan Crisp



Welcome back after the Holidays!

It has been a busy start to the Autumn term, and we have welcomed lots of new children. The children have been learning all about sharing with their friends using our new puppets. They have also been interested in making kites so we have followed this theme on and been talking about the wind, doing blow painting, bubble painting, playing with balloons, making paper aeroplanes and playing with scarves in the wind.

The children are once again benefiting from weekly visits from Dancing Clare and Merry Go Round Amanda, both sessions give the children an opportunity to move to music, listen to stories and take part with actions. We are already taking enquiries and bookings for September 2012 and welcome children from the age of 2. If you would like your child, aged 2-5, to have the opportunity to attend this unique and beautifully situated learning environment then please do contact Sam for more information or to arrange a visit. Call 07732 095814 or 07919 130777 or email willrj@hotmail.co.uk
www.chilboltonpreschool.com



Afternoon Tea at

The White Lion, Wherwell

Last tea of 2011 November 14 at 3pm

(there will be no tea in Dec.) £2.00 tea & cake/ scones

Just come along- no booking required. ALL welcome (regardless of age or which Hampshire village you live in!)



WANTED : others in the community to come along now and again to join in their local tea, hand round cakes and be welcoming. Not hard and very pleasant!

Contact Christina on 0754 229 0081

Annual Quiz Wherwell Village Hall

This annual fund raising quiz, normally held in November and hosted by Brian & Lydia Knight, has been postponed until Saturday 14 January 2012.

Further details will be published in the Dec/Jan issue of the magazine.

Peter Grainger



St Mary-the-Less, Chilbolton



Christmas Fair

Sunday 20th November 3-5pm Chilbolton

Village Hall. **Free Entrance**

French Food from Clos du Marquis

Gifts, jewellery, woodcraft, cards, Refreshments
and Mulled Wine, Visit Father Christmas

Donations for the Raffle, Gift Stall and Food Stall all gratefully received. Please mark ingredients on food products, especially nuts.



For further details contact
Mary Gilbert 861142 and Lesley Kent 860584



FATHER CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

between 3.15 pm and 4.45 pm to

Wherwell Christmas Fayre

Sunday 27 November 2011

3.00 pm to 5.00 pm, Wherwell Village Hall

Your chance to buy some stocking fillers!

There will be mulled wine, waffles, cakes, tombola, Christmas cards and decorations, and gifts including, Suzie Palmer's beautiful bags, scarves and jewellery, Neal's Yard health and beauty products, Jamie at Home

with Christmas LIGHTS in Church Street

in aid of the Church of St Peter and Holy Cross Church, Wherwell



To be followed by the children's lantern procession to the church for the 5.15 pm

Advent carol service by Candlelight

Join us to celebrate the opening of St Peter and Holy Cross after its major roof restoration work! Children are encouraged to dress up in nativity costume for the Procession and the Service.

Children's lanterns can be made by children on Sunday, November 13th at 4.00 pm in Wherwell Village Hall – all welcome, children's tea included.

FULLERTON BARN CHRISTMAS FAIR

Thursday 17th November 8.30am – 12.30pm

Fullerton Barn, SP11 7LA

Stalls: Neal's Yard, Katherine Hooker, Blue Daisy Clothing, Phoenix Cards, Jamie at Home, Lynn & Jo's Junk Shop, Snakey, Lucy Riley Photography, Electric Radish, Never too busy to be beautiful, Charlotte Stuart jewellery & hair accessories & Oarsum.

Refreshments in aid of Wherwell Church

For further details please contact Lucy Liddell 07747612400

*Wherwell
Singers*

Christmas Concert The
Nativity

Saturday 10th December 2011 at 7:30pm,
St. Peter & Holy Cross Church,
Wherwell

Tickets: £7 (£5 concession)

Available from Dale Webb (01264) 860074

And on the door

Join us in the newly re-opened Wherwell Church as we tell the Nativity Story through music. As always, mulled wine and minced pies will be on sale.

Get your tickets early - last Christmas we almost sold out!

THANK YOU FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE

£250 was raised at the coffee morning for Macmillan Nurses on October 5th A big thank you to everyone who came and supported this annual event especially my jolly team of helpers

Jane Spence

Gliding report

A number of you have been kind enough to ask how we got on this summer, so here is the Gliding Report. As you may recall, I flew in the Women's World Championships in Arboga, Sweden in June. This is too early for much UK practice, so three of the team went to Issoudun in France to train in the French women's national competition. This is in the centre of France with open rolling farmland, and proved very good training with lots of flying in both cumulus and cloud-free conditions. Great result - one of the team won the competition overall, & I was the highest placed club class pilot. Club class - in gliding it refers to the lower (and cheaper!) end of the performance spectrum.

So, Sweden. Arboga is due west of Stockholm. The terrain we flew over was largely arable locally but further than 20 miles or so it evolved into unending forest with lakes scattered throughout, hopefully with a hamlet & one or two landable fields. It is difficult gliding terrain as we always need to keep in range of somewhere safe to land. This is of course easy in good weather when cloud-base is high enough that you can glide a long way.

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they also keep 'people' occupied

Ah, the weather! The competition was over 11 days but with weather far from ideal for racing we only got 5 competition days. Interesting flying though. Some fast racing and some difficult days where simply staying airborne and avoiding the showers took precedence! Gliding at National level is an individual sport, but in internationals I fly as a pair with another pilot. We work together to find the best climbs and are able to fly faster than we could individually. I had a bit of bad luck on one day and ended up not quite getting back to the airfield when others did, and at the end of the competition I was in 5th place with my flying partner taking the Silver medal. I have to admit to being peeved at not doing better – I've been 5th the last 3 times now.

Back home, the UK Club Class National competition was in August at Pocklington, Yorkshire. A UK comp lasts 9 possible flying days, on average we fly 5-6 days. But the weather meant we were only able to race on 3 days - one very good racing day and two difficult days. One of the features of flying in the north of the country is the power stations which we tend to use as turning points – the 'corners' of the task we are flying. They have the great advantage that with any luck they'll be producing enough hot air to keep you airborne! This year due to the late harvest we had to be fairly careful about our choice of land-out fields, but nothing like Sweden. I came 6th in the competition, which is a personal best for me in a UK National competition.

Weather in September and October has not been favourable - although we do fly all year. During the winter, some pilots go to Scotland or the Alps for mountain flying, some to South Africa or Australia where the weather permits great flying most of the year and some hibernate. I spend the winter training new instructors to teach other people to fly and when the weather doesn't permit flying talking to people about the glorious days we had last summer and the great flights we plan for next year...

Liz Sparrow

Liz is a member of the British Gliding Team and came 5th in the Women's World Championships in Sweden in June 2011

Chilbolton Horticultural Society Meeting September 27th. 'Wild in the City'

Horticultural Society members were taken on a delightful journey by Charlotte Murrell from Room Cottages. Charlotte, who graduated in Garden Design this summer from Sparsholt College, had won a competition to design a small garden for the 2011 Hampton Court Flower Show. Charlotte is a keen organic gardener and wanted her garden to be one that would encourage wildlife even in an urban setting, hence the name she chose, 'Wild in the City'.

With the skilful use of slides, she first introduced us to her original designs and then led us right through the process to realise this tiny 6metre by 4metre garden. Every aspect was explained and we experienced the highs and lows, the tense time as the design was scrutinised by the judges and the joy when they only asked for four changes, the nerve-racking time she went through as the bitter winter delayed the plants, then the April heat that brought them on too quickly. Her attention to detail was amazing. She hand-picked individual pebbles to match the colour of the rocks she had chosen for the water-feature.

Lecturers and fellow students were her willing helpers and as the project progressed to the realisation of the vision, they had to dig to prepare for the water-feature, and erect the log-pile walls. She found the hundreds of short logs had darkened in storage, so the exposed end of each one had to be sanded to smarten it up. Thousands of plants had been provided by Wyevale East Nurseries, the commercial nursery which had sponsored the competition, and grown on at Sparsholt. Charlotte had to choose the best specimens.

There were gasps of delight round the room as she revealed the finished garden: it was refreshingly different, the log-pile backdrop with two stylish sturdy chairs on a circular oak-boarded platform ‘floating’ above a pebbly beach. A number of pastel-painted bee and insect-houses on posts, each with its roof of *Sempervivums* and thymes (which had been grown by a fellow student) rose from a profusion of insect-attracting perennials, such as the delicate purple *Verbena bonariensis*. The judges were obviously impressed and awarded her Silver Gilt and Charlotte was delighted with the response from visitors, many of whom thought she should have been given a Gold. We asked if she would do it again: she said that at first she thought not, but has since changed her mind.

A very professional presentation and no notes: we loved it.

Sue Batchelor

'The Gardens at Hinton Ampner House'

Following a disastrous fire in 1960, the house and gardens were remodelled.

The gardens are acknowledged as a masterpiece of 20th-century design, mixing formal and informal planting and providing year-round interest. The speaker will be John Wood, the Head Gardener. The business meeting will be at 7.30pm. The talk will begin at 8.00pm. Visitors very welcome.

Sue Batchelor

Wherwell History Group



An Illustrated talk by
Dave Walton

THE HISTORY OF
BRITISH COINAGE
THROUGH METAL DETECTING



At Colonel Jenkins'
Memorial Hall
Wherwell SP11 7JJ

*Friday 18th. November
at 8.00pm*

All Welcome -Admission £3.00 - Tea/Coffee & Biscuits included

Preparing your copy for the magazine

We are always grateful to receive items for the magazine. It would be really helpful to the magazine team, however, if you could follow a few guidelines when preparing your item for publication:



Please send it in as a Word doc using Times New Roman point size 11.

Do not set spaces between paragraphs - we often have to take these out as they waste space. The style is to indent paragraphs, usually by one tab.

Please do not add in an extra space after a full stop. One space will do.

Please try to limit your item to one page - we sometimes have a bit of a problem fitting everything in, particularly now we are outsourcing our printing and collation!

Please work to an A5 template if you can. This gives a good indication of how long your item is. (If you email the mag we can send you the template.)

Please do not attempt to format your piece. We really appreciate you want your piece to look good but we usually have to unformat it at the setting stage which can cause setters to become hot and bothered.

Colour photos often don't reproduce well. B/W are much better; also if you want us to include artwork, please think about how it will reproduce in the B/W mag.

Please remember your name at the end of the item.

Thank you for helping us!

The Magazine Production Team

Wherwell Christmas Fayre - 27th November CAKE STALL



Please donate cakes, pies, cupcakes, breads, jams, or whatever your baking speciality...

Bring to the Wherwell Village Hall between 2:00pm & 2:30pm on Sunday, 27th November

Thank You Very Much !!

Judy Conte, Tel: 860 789



DIARY DATES NOVEMBER



1st	Chilbolton PC	CVH	8.00 pm
4th	Film- Brighton Rock	CVH	Doors open 6.45 film 7.30 pm
5th	Wherwell Coffee morning	WVH	10.30 am
4th/5th	Churchyard cleanup	Wherwell Church	
6th	Confirmation Service	Chilbolton church	4.00 pm
7th	Red Garter	CVH	7.30 pm
8th	Wherwell PC	WVH	7.00 pm
8 th	Abbots Mite Quiz Night	Chilbolton	8.00 pm
11th	Abbots Mitre Jazz	Chilbolton	8.00 pm
12th	Churchyard cleaning	Chilbolton church	9.30 am
12th	Wherwell Footpath cleaning	Old Hill	10.00 am
12th	Wine Tasting	Chilbolton Stores	12.30 - 3.30 pm
12th	Some Like It Hotter	CVH	7.30 pm
14th	Afternoon Tea	White Lion	3.00 pm
14th	CVH AGM	CVH	8.00 pm
15th	Chilbolton WI	CVH	7.30 pm
18th	Wherwell History Group	WVH	8.00 pm
19th	Wherwell Church Clean up	Wherwell Church	9.30 am
19th	Coffee morning and neighbourhood watch	CVH	10.30-noon
20th	Topping Out Ceremony	WVH	12.30 pm
20th	Christmas Fair	CVH	3-5.00 pm
21st	Midday Mums	WVH	10.30 - 12.00
22nd	Horticultural Society	CVH	7.45 pm
25 th	Abbots Mitre Jazz	Chilbolton	8.00 pm
27th	West Down Working Party	Top car park	10.00 am
27th	Wherwell Christmas Fair	WVH	3-5.00pm
27th	Wherwell Advent Service		5.15 pm

WHAT'S ON IN THE AREA

Theatres:

08/11/11 to 12/11/11: **My Boy Jack** by David Haig. Presented by RAODS at Plaza Theatre, Romsey at 7.30pm. Not suitable for children under 12. Tickets £9 (£7 on 08/11). Tel (01794) 512987 www.plazatheatre.com

15/11/11 to 26/11/11: **BangBangBang** by Stella Feehily. Performances at 7.30pm (Mon-Wed), 8pm (Thu-Sat), 2.30pm matinees (Thu 24th & Sat 26th) at Salisbury Playhouse. Tickets £12-£21. Tel (01722) 320333
www.salisburyplayhouse.com

17/11/11 to 19/11/11: **Much Ado About Nothing**. By William Shakespeare. At Theatre Royal, Winchester at 7.30pm (1.30pm matinee on Fri). Tickets £17.50 (£13 matinee) (concessions £15 & £11). Tel (01962) 840440
www.theatre-royal-winchester.co.uk

Music:

05/11/11: **The Blues Band** at Theatre Royal, Winchester at 8pm. Tickets £21 (£19 concession) Tel (01962) 840440 www.theatre-royal-winchester.co.uk

10/11/11 to 12/11/11: **Strictly Musicals**. Celebrating Musical Theatre presented by Andover Musical & Operatic Society at The Lights, Andover at 7.30pm (and 3pm on 12/11). Tickets £12.50-£13.50 (concessions £10.50). Tel (01264) 368368 www.thelights.org.uk

12/11/11: **Romsey Choral Society with Charivari Agreeable Orchestra**. Handel - Messiah at Romsey Abbey at 7.30pm. Tel (01794) 512987
www.romsey.net.org.uk/musicromsey.htm

18/11/11: **The Five Star Swing Band** at The Lights, Andover at 7.45pm. Tickets £13-£14 (concessions £12). Tel (01264) 368368 www.thelights.org.uk

Other events:

31/10/11 to 27/11/11: **A Material World**. Textiles Exhibition at Hillier Gardens, near Romsey. Free admission. Gardens open 10am to 5pm. Tel (01794) 369318 www.hilliergardens.org.uk

06/11/11: **Test Valley Tour (cycling)**. Cool MTB Challenge Offroad at The Pavilion, Charlton Sports and Leisure Centre, Andover. Details on www.testvalleytour.com

Country Markets:

Country Markets are held weekly in Andover and Stockbridge selling homemade and local produce. The Stockbridge market is held in the Town Hall every Thursday, 10.00am – 11.45am. The Andover market is held outside the Guildhall every Friday, 7.30am – 1pm

Farmers' Market Dates:

06 Nov 2011 – Romsey

13 Nov 2011 – Winchester

20 Nov 2011 – Andover

27 Nov 2011 – Winchester

For more information, please ring (01420) 588671, or visit the website at www.hampshirefarmersmarkets.co.uk.

December Diary Dates



3rd	Talk by Major Parker	WVH	7.30 pm
10th	Wherwell Singers Concert	Wherwell Church	7.30 pm

CHARITY CHRISTMAS CARDS

Every year, a group of some 52 charities come together to sell their Christmas cards in the Guildhall in Winchester. This year, they will be in the Guildhall's cafe "Eighteen 71"

Each charity has a number of different cards on sale so the choice is extensive and the shop is staffed every day by members of one of the charities. So do come and support us, with your cash or cheque book, and you could get your morning coffee or afternoon tea at the same time.

The shop is open from 10am to 4.30pm, Monday to Saturday from October 26th to December 15th.

Chilbolton W.I Meeting Tuesday November 15th at 7.30pm WI Report

On 20 September, Chilbolton WI were entertained by Alison Carter, who recently worked for Hampshire Museums, and gave a talk about our clothing heritage. She showed slides of tapestry in the seventeenth century, and clothes worn in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

Prior to the eighteenth century, shoes were made with no distinction between right and left feet. Women have always suffered for fashion, the fairer sex squeezing themselves into whale bone and iron corsets, which sometimes proved so constricting that the occupants fainted clean away. Huge iron hoops that supported voluminous skirts, were prone to metal fatigue and had to be soldered by the local blacksmith. Wild life also paid a price, with humming birds stuffed to adorn hats, and exotic beetles captured so that their green wings could decorate shawls.

More recently, a business named Burberry was started in Basingstoke. Initially making smocks for rural workers, it then realized that there was a lucrative market among the local gentry requiring smart hunting outfits. Now, for more than £1,000 you can buy yourself a nice little mac.

Sally Griffiths

Chilbolton Horticultural Society

**Make your own “Xmas Door Wreath”
Tuesday, November 22nd 2011 7:45pm
Workshop & Xmas Social.**

Wreaths can be made starting with a plain ring such as one made from oasis, a wire coat-hanger, or from ivy or vine-prunings. Please bring a ring if you would find this easier, plus any suitable vegetation such as holly, ivy and conifer cuttings, and wire or other means of attaching things to your wreath. We will provide red ribbon and some glitter spray.

As this is our last meeting before Christmas, some appropriate light refreshments will be provided. We will bring all the Horticultural Society archive material dating back to 1984.

Further details Sheila Evans 860697

Wherwell History Group – Calendar 2012



We are proud to present our calendar for 2012, featuring black & white photographs of both villages from the Victorian, Edwardian and pre-WWII periods. Our “Bygone Times” calendar opens up to A3-portrait size, with A4 photograph on the top half and monthly calendar on the bottom half, allowing plenty of space for appointments. Visit the Wherwell website to see all twelve photos.

The Calendar retails at £5.99 and will be available from 1st November at Waterstones (Andover), White Lion (Wherwell) and the Chilbolton shop; plus local coffee mornings, Christmas Fayres, etc.

Andrew Flanagan



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AN IRREVERENT LOOK BEHIND THE SCENES AT ROYAL &
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IN AID OF WHERWELL CHURCH RESTORATION FUND

Bee Diary November 2011



A swarm in May is worth a load of hay
A swarm in June is worth a silver spoon
A swarm in July isn't worth a fly!



So said the beekeepers of old, keeping their bees in straw skep beehives. A swarm in early spring could be hived in a new skep and might build up by late summer into a large colony, producing a harvest of honey. The later in the summer the less chance there was of a honey harvest from a swarm, so the value of the swarm fell.

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What those old beekeepers would have said about a swarm in October I cannot imagine, but for the first time ever I heard of an October swarm which emerged from a hive during the hot weather which started at the end of September. It shows what a good season the summer of 2011 has been for bees; they built up very rapidly in the warm spring in May, then enjoyed an extended honey flow in July and August. Instead of peaking in July, some colonies maintaining their peak numbers through August and September as the ivy started to flower.

I suspect the reason for the bees swarming in October was a result of the beekeeper overcrowding the hive by removing the honey supers in September and forcing too many bees down into a crowded brood box in the hot weather.

How do you eat honey comb, I was asked the other day. I believe that some people are put off by the amount of chewing that can be involved, somewhat akin to honey chewing gum. The easy answer to this is to use a knife to scrape the honey comb off the centre rib of foundation. The bees build their comb on a wax foundation and it is this thick foundation which is the chewy bit. The honey comb itself is made of very fine wax cells which, combined with the honey they contain, is simply delicious and not chewy at all. A fresh loaf of bread from Chilbolton stores, a large dollop of honeycomb spread upon it, who needs cornflakes?

Jolyon Pope



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John Rowles Part Four:

From electrician to space systems engineer

Despite not having the qualifications, John persuaded the manager at Dicks electrical contractors to take him on as an apprentice. His constant questioning led his boss to suggest he attend classes at Southampton Technical College.

By chance, the only place left was on an engineering course which they said would be beyond him. However, through persistence he was eventually accepted, and one day a week took the train from Fullerton Junction to Southampton. He didn't have difficulty with the engineering aspect. It was the maths which floored him. Determined 'to show them', he went to night school in Andover to catch up. After a total of seven years at college then university, he became a graduate from the Institute of Electrical Engineers, and having gained the requisite experience, a Chartered Engineer.

During this time, between working for Dicks, and studying in Southampton, John raced with 'Andover Wheelers' cycling club. Here he met and fell in love with Doreen. They married in 1954 and while John was doing his finals, the Jenkins let them live in Threepennybit Cottage at the end of their drive. Still assuming he'd want to work on the estate after he graduated, they offered him a job as farm-labourer with a tied cottage!

At this point, he might have pursued a career designing electrical systems. But again chance intervened. Two mechanical engineers from Boscombe Down joined his course, and persuaded him to apply to the Civil Service as an engineer. As a result, he spent the following year at Boscombe Down designing instruments for the newly-invented helicopter.

It was 1955, time for 22-year-old John to do National Service and, though he didn't know it, to take another leap towards his destiny. One of twenty-two selected to go on an intensive course in advanced radar technology at RAF Yatesbury, John spent two years working harder and learning more than he'd ever done before. His fellow students were all experienced engineers, but driven by ambition to become an expert in the new field of electronics, John graduated top with a certificate of merit.

From 1958-64 he worked for the UKAEA at Aldermaston. Arriving at a time when transistors were transforming the nature of electronics, he joined a team of pioneers at the cutting edge of nuclear physics who were given a free hand to experiment. John designed digital electronic instruments, vital to research, that measured the energy and characteristics of nuclear particles.

Towards the end of this period, several European governments were combining to set up a joint space research programme. John applied for a post and was interviewed by a French nuclear physicist from Saclay research
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centre. Impressed by his designs, he invited John to join a multinational team of engineers to design satellites and supporting infrastructure for the new European space programme.

John worked for ESA , the European equivalent of NASA, for twenty-three years and with Doreen brought up their three children in Holland.

In 1987, after working for forty years, he decided to do something different. Since then he's been school governor, parish counsellor and at seventy-eight, still skis down black runs, cycles twenty-five miles three times a week, and with Doreen goes walking in faraway places, preferring 'a tent on the side of a mountain' to a smart hotel.

He also keeps hens and bees. Doreen and he try to be self sufficient on their own vegetables and fruit and Doreen's preserves.

He says he wouldn't have his life any other way. Apart from doing something different and having a life-long loving relationship, he's fulfilled his aim to fill his house with books and give his children a broad education, wanting them to learn 'Not how to make money but how to enjoy life.'

Tessa Youell

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Glassmakers Mark Taylor and David Hill produce beautiful hand-crafted reproductions of Georgian wine glasses in their studio at Project Workshops near Andover, Hampshire.

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Helping the homeless: Trinity Winchester appeals for volunteers!

Most of us lucky enough to live in the relative affluence of Winchester and its surrounds take the basic things in life, like having a roof over our head and enough food to eat, for granted. But not everyone is that lucky. Some of you may be surprised to learn that here in Winchester, up to as many as 30 people sleep rough each night. Right here on our doorstep there are people who, because of a variety of problems including unemployment, relationship breakdown, mental ill health, addiction or just plain bad luck, find themselves homeless.

Trinity Winchester is the charity that provides practical and emotional support to people who are unlucky enough to find themselves homeless or vulnerably housed. The aim is to promote positive fulfilling lifestyles, emotional well-being and long-term changes for those experiencing the effects of homelessness. This starts with the basics, including hot meals, clothing, washing facilities and a contact address and goes on to providing opportunities to make real, positive long-term changes through counselling and learning.

As a result, service users who might otherwise have felt they had no hope of turning their lives around are able to take positive steps towards change as individuals and as part of the wider community.

Trinity Winchester operates a drop-in day service at Bradbury House in Durngate, Winchester and a separate Women's Service also in Bradbury House. Both are direct-access services, meaning they are available without judgement to anyone who asks for help.

Trinity Winchester works closely alongside other local organisations and services, including the Winchester Churches Night Shelter (a separate charity which provides overnight accommodation for people who are homeless in Winchester) to provide help and support to people in Hampshire who are homeless and vulnerably housed.

Can you spare some time to help Trinity? We are on a drive to expand our circle of volunteers and we need all sorts of people to help with a wide range of practical tasks and client-facing roles.

If you can spare the odd afternoon to shake a bucket or man a stall, or if you are interested in more regular volunteering work with our clients at the centre, then please do get in touch. We hold regular sessions when prospective volunteers can come along and find out more about what we do and how you might be able to help.

Michelle Gardner, Trinity Chief Executive and Chilbolton resident

Visit www.trinitywinchester.org.uk/volunteer-for-us/ for more information, or contact Madeleine Brideaux 01962 842927 or dropin@trinitywinchester.org.uk

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Thanks to Fundraisers!

The PCC of Wherwell would like to thank the Wherwell History Group for their kind donation of £76 towards the Wherwell Church Restoration Project following the talk on the church given by David Etchells and Anna Lipa on Friday 16 September in the village hall.

The PCC would also like to thank Clare Gibson and Nina Carey-Hodges who kindly arranged a Pampered Chef event in favour of the restoration project. An enjoyable evening at Clare's house on Wednesday 28 September resulted in £79.20 being raised towards the project.

Anna Lipa



Chilbolton & Wherwell Wildlife

A month or so ago, I wrote about the rare Light Crimson Underwing moth that I'd seen in Chilbolton, and I also mentioned the similar and much more common Red Underwing that we all might see in September. What I hadn't expected though, was the very rare Blue Underwing! During the very warm September weather, I was amazed to find one of these sitting on the outside of my moth-trap at West Down. Also known as the Clifden Nonpareil, it's a big grey moth with a wing-span of 100mm (4 inches). But the most striking feature is a bright violet-blue band across the black hindwing – hence the name Blue Underwing. The moth is widespread in central Europe and comes here as an immigrant – usually occurring only on the south-east and east coasts. It used to be exceptionally rare and was one of the greatest prizes for Victorian moth collectors. And even up to 2005, it was only found in Hampshire about once every five years. Since then though, perhaps due to climate change, it's been seen more frequently and there have been a number of Hampshire sightings this year. They may now even be breeding in southern England, so maybe this one is the first of many for Chilbolton and Wherwell.

Looking forward to November, early in the month is a good time to see migrant birds. Our winter-visitor thrushes, the Redwings and Fieldfares, will be arriving to feed on the hawthorn and holly berries. They're easily seen in the hedgerows during the daytime, but most of their migratory wanderings take place during the night. Listen out for the "seep" calls of Redwing overhead on clear moonlit nights. Or look out for flocks of migrant birds still flying over at dawn, as they complete their night's migration. As well as the Fieldfares and Redwings, you may see streams of Starlings on the move or sometimes great waves of Woodpigeons passing over in a south-westerly direction. But be warned, you often only see these movements during the hour after first light.

Finally, our next West Down working-party is on

Sunday 27th November. Meet at 10:00 am in the top car-park. All hands are welcome.

Glynn Evans (hantsbto@hotmail.com)

Janes Kitchen Zucchini Date tray bake.

Still wondering what to do with the remaining courgettes? The following was produced for the Macmillan coffee morning and went down well.



4 eggs
10 oz Soft brown Sugar
3 Cups corn oil

Blend the above together in a food processor and add the remaining ingredients –

8 oz course grated courgettes
1lb SR Flour
1 teaspn baking powder
1 teaspn cinnamon
4oz each chopped dates and dec. coconut.

Bake for 30 – 40 minutes depending on depth of mixture in the tin.

Topping

8oz icing sugar
2oz soft butter
1 tablespoon strong orange cordial/fresh juice
Beat well together and spread over the cake when it is cold.

Jane Spence

SUCCESS UNDER THREAT FOR WHERWELL CRICKET CLUB

This year has been a real trial by fire for the club, from 1 team (adult), to 2 adult teams and 3 junior teams we've all been tested by the effort but it's well worth it. But that's not all. Our 1st team have won the league and promotion again this time to an all-time high of County Division 4, well done gents!

Massive thanks go to Paul, Jeff, Carmen, Lisa and Jo for their help in the youth section we wouldn't have been able to get this far without them. One of the Rowles family who is no longer with us, my late uncle Sid represented exactly what cricket should be about. Not only was he a great sportsman but a true gentleman as well. We try and make sure everything we do at Wherwell CC would meet expectations like his and I'm sure Sid would be over the moon to see so much cricket being played at by people from

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Chilbolton and Wherwell and a youth section securing the future of the club.

As many of you will know we had a fund-raising match in Sid's memory on the 7th of August. We raised £1400 this year, a massive success for a club of our size. NB: Next year it's the 5th of August.

Despite all this success we are at **SERIOUS** risk of losing all our gains by not having enough people to help organise the club. Whilst we will be making every effort to get more players on the committee, for some of us we have no more time to spare. If you have an interest in cricket, or would just like to keep a fantastic part of village life alive then please contact me. We would love to welcome new members to the club or the committee; all we are looking for is a couple of hours a month.

Without your help there will be no more Wherwell Cricket Club!

Chairman - Richard Rowles Richard@rowles.co.uk 01264 861101

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**Some Like It Hotter will be at Chilbolton Village Hall, SO20 6AT
on Saturday 12th November Tickets are £15 (includes a
refreshment) Doors open from 7pm**

**Tickets are available from Chilbolton Village Stores,
John Robinson Family butcher, Stockbridge, or to book online go
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'HELLO PUD-SWAN' ... Report 2011

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For children in the 7-10 age group

I am pleased to report that our efforts to raise money continue to bear fruit and another £1000 cheque for the hospice is to be presented before Christmas this year on an appropriate occasion. To date a total of 355 copies have been sold and the response from the children is most encouraging. My thanks to all who have supported this project. I should like to add that I would be happy to respond to more invitations from schools, where I can explain the role of Naomi House to children in Years 3 and 4, 'how and why' the book came to be written, and read some of the actual story.

During this year I have completed writing the sequel for the same age group. Hopefully it won't be too many years before this new book 'PUD-SWAN AGAIN' is available and even more money may be raised for Children's hospices in U.K.

May I remind readers that the whole set of three parts [in a slip-case] is on sale for £20 or each part may be purchased separately for £8.99. Credit or Debit cards can be used to place orders online via the **Paypal button** on the **pud-swan** website. Alternatively **WATERSTONES** and other bookshops can supply them. They are also available from the official **NAOMI HOUSE SHOPS** and their website shop in the TOYS and GAMES section. It can also be obtained directly from **the author and publisher** who can be contacted **on 01264-365-190**.

Those with access to Google Books can read the first twenty pages or so, completely free! As readers of my previous three reports will remember the book is **INTERACTIVE** in so far as the child readers are encouraged to do all their own illustrations by drawing or pasting their own pictures and is entirely **EDUCATIONAL** in its story line thus **promoting imagination and learning. It makes a good gift and supports a good cause.**

Bryan Beggs

Chilbolton FC – Monthly Update - November 2011

11 September 2011 Wolves Saints 0 V 1 Chilbolton (League)

18 September 2011 FC Chute Athletic 5 V 0 Chilbolton (League)

25 September 2011 KTF 7 V 2 Chilbolton (League)

09 October 2011 Chilbolton 2 V 3 Tidworth Royals (League)

It has been a difficult month for Chilbolton as we discovered just how hard this league is after 3 defeats and only one win. We picked up a good 0-1 win in our first away game of the season, Ollie Southworth getting the goal and then the whole team defending for most of the second half to maintain the lead.

Chute Athletic proved to be a very good side and we suffered our biggest defeat of the season conceding 5 goals without any response. It was a real wake-up call and proved we had to improve to be able to compete in this league.

The next game, away to KTF proved to be a similar affair and despite the fact that we managed to score twice, Ollie Southworth and Niro Nidaira on target, we conceded 7 goals and lost key defender David Baker to a bad neck injury. It was definitely a sombre changing room as we realised that a big improvement was needed and thankfully we had a week off and two training sessions to work on improving before our next game.

In our my recent game, at home against Tidworth Royals the team put in a much better performance, passing the ball well and playing as a team. Even though a number of players were unavailable through injuries and other commitments we looked strong at the back and threatening up front and didn't let our heads drop when we went behind, twice coming back to draw level. New keeper Aaron Austen and Alec Mitchell put in excellent performances and with the first round of the North Hants Cup next weekend we will be looking to build on this performance.

You can now follow the team live on Twitter (@chilboltonfc) with live pitch side tweets as well as team news and Manager insights in between games. You can also keep in touch with the team at www.chilboltonfc.co.uk and we look forward to seeing you at one of our future games, supporters welcome with tea and coffee at half time and then after the game at the Abbots Mitre where Tom and the team always look after us – See you there!

Sam Horne (07969 055300) - Manager

Stockbridge & District Scout & Youth Hall update

If you have been to the rear of the Grosvenor Hotel in Stockbridge recently you will have seen that the new Scout & Youth Hall is very nearly completed. It is looking resplendent in its larch cladding and the internal plastering is now complete. The bathrooms and kitchens were fitted at the end of September, with thanks to Testway Housing for the fitting of the kitchen.

Our local tradesmen have worked extremely hard and have produced a very beautiful finish. We have gone for a very traditional design and the open vaulted and beamed roof space in the main hall looks and feels amazing. This has been enhanced even more by the fantastic decorating. The Stockbridge & District Scout Group would like to give particular thanks to Jay Colbourne, of Painters Direct in Chilbolton for this. Jay and his partner spent a whole weekend giving their own time and skills to decorate the main hall. We are extremely grateful indeed and very pleased with the result and we would recommend Painters Direct highly.

If all continues to go to plan we are set to open the hall at the beginning of November. Anybody who has made a donation or helped us in anyway will be invited to the opening ceremony, together with all the old local leaders. I just hope we can fit you all in! The date will be arranged nearer the time and will be sometime in November.

Dr Rebecca Ferris

Chairperson of the 14th Andover (Stockbridge & District) Scout Group

Guidelines for the use of the Chilbolton Village Hall

The Hall is gainfully used by many village organisations and other hirers and the Management Committee is mindful of the fact that over the years regular users and hirers change their personnel and newcomers may be unaware of how the Hall works and what their responsibilities are. This note seeks to set out the expectations and habits that, if followed, will enhance the comfort and usability for all.

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The Management Committee seeks to provide a safe, clean and comfortable environment for all users and by the same token expects hirers to leave the Hall as found. If it is not as you expect please report any deficiency to any Hall Committee Member who will seek to rectify the problem. Clearly if, for instance, the floor is found to be unswept by a previous user, then additional cleaning will be required and the cleaner's time will be charged for.

The Hall is cleaned twice a week, but facilities and equipment are available for your organisation to use if necessary and required. A vacuum cleaner is stored in the Durnford room cupboard together with a small dustpan and brush. In the kitchen is a plastic bucket and sponge mops for small and isolated spillages. Please use the mops having dampened them first. In the rear store room is a wide broom and a scissor floor sweeper for the cleaning of the Painter hall floor.

The kitchen has a hot water supply at the sink and there is also an electric hot water heater for the brewing of beverages. Crockery and glasses are stored in the wall mounted cupboards. You are welcome to use these facilities with the expectation that everything is replaced and left clean and tidy.

Irregular hirers are required to take their rubbish away, but regular users can leave small amounts of rubbish in the kitchen bins. If you hold and organise a big function then we would expect your sacks of waste to be removed after the event. The brown bin is for non-recyclable waste whilst the white bin is for paper and other recyclable matter. The same rules apply as they do at your home.

As you probably realise, the electrical supply is turned off until the dedicated key is used to turn on the supply by the front door. The only item that remains on is the kitchen fridge. As a consequence the central heating boiler will only work once somebody is in occupation and therefore it takes a short while for the Hall to warm up. The radiators in the Painter hall will need to be turned on as they are fan assisted, but a

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bit noisy, and reasonably efficient once running. They are regularly cleaned to ensure efficiency.

When leaving the building, it will be appreciated if a “sweep” of the whole building is undertaken to ensure that taps are off (we are on a water meter), windows closed and locked, the fire exit doors closed and light switches turned to off. By the front door is a switch controlling the car park lights which are controlled by a passive infrared sensor. Do not flick the light switch in an attempt to turn off the car park lights, there is a delay to allow your safe exit but if the switch is repeatedly turned on and off the PIR is reprogrammed and there is a danger that the outside lights will remain on indefinitely and at some expense to the Hall and annoyance to our neighbours in Eastman’s Field and Drove Road.

It is recognised that the store room is a little small for everybody’s equipment which is why every effort should be made to return items to their designated areas and for things to be kept as tidy as possible.

There is nothing new in these guidelines, but the Committee feel that our rules and expectations should be republished for the avoidance of doubt.

John Temple